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Dear Sir:

The applicants wish to bring the Examiner's attention to the February 14, 2002 Search Report from the European Patent Office in connection with the corresponding PCT patent application. Copies of the the Search Report, the cited references, and an appropriate form PTO-1449 listing the references are enclosed for the Examiner's convenience. An early indication that these references have been considered is requested.

Because all cited references are in the general state of the art category and none are in the particular relevance category, it is submitted that all claims currently on file distinguish patentably over these references.

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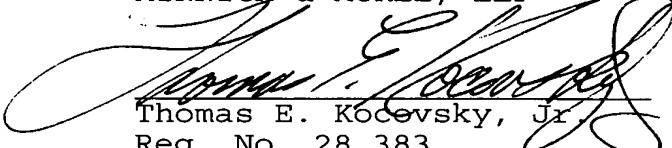


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An early allowance of all claims is hereby solicited.

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